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W.Va. Flood media update for Monday, July 4, 2016

CHARLESTON, WV- According to W.Va. Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management Director Jimmy Gianato, these are the latest facts and figures:

- The State Emergency Operations Center continues to monitor the severe weather forecast for this region. A **flash flood watch** remains in effect through late tonight for 20 West Virginia counties including the federal disaster declaration counties of **Fayette, Jackson, Kanawha and Lincoln**. A flash flood watch means that conditions may develop that lead to flash flooding. More info at <http://www.weather.gov/rlx>.
- A **seventh** Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) is now open, this one in **Webster County**. DRCs are one-stop shops that provide one-on-one, face-to-face help for eligible storm survivors.

The DRCs are operating daily from 7 am to 7 pm:

- Greenbrier: Town Hall, 201 Kanawha Ave, Rainelle
- Greenbrier: Southeastern Labor Council, AFL-CIO, 65 West Main St., White Sulphur Springs
- Kanawha: Crede Warehouse, 3300 Pennsylvania Ave., Charleston
- Nicholas: Richwood City Hall, 6 White Ave., Richwood
- Roane: Geary Elementary School; 9538 Clay Rd., Left Hand
- Summers: Summers County Memorial Building gym, 451 1st Ave. , Hinton
- **Webster:** Webster Springs Municipal Bldg., City Council Room, 143 McGraw Ave., Webster Springs

An additional DRC is slated to open soon in Clay County.

- The American Red Cross has established a number of shelters and locations providing meals, relief supplies, casework assistance and other resources. Several of these are alongside the DRCs:

Clay County

- **Fixed Feeding Location:** Bethel Community Church, 3725 Bomont Rd., Bomont
- **Relief Supply Distribution Location:** Bethel Community Church
- **Relief Supply Distribution Location:** Clay High School, 1 Panther Dr., Clay
- **Casework Service Center:** Clay Health Center, 1053 Clinic Rd., Ivydale.
 - Hours: 9:30 am - 7 pm.
- **Casework Service Center:** Queen Shoals Full Gospel Church, 5 Queen Rd., Clendenin.

- Hours: 9:30 am - 7 pm.

Fayette County

- **Shelter:** Midland Trail High School, 26719 Midland Trail, Hico
- **Relief Supply Distribution Location:** Gauley River Fire Dept., 115 Main St., Gauley Bridge
- **Relief Supply Distribution Location:** Nuttall Middle School, Rt. 60, Lookout

Greenbrier County

- **Shelter:** Ronceverte Fire Dept., 722 Ronceverte Ave., Ronceverte
- **Relief Supply Distribution Location:** Greenbrier Valley Airport, 584 Airport Rd., Lewisburg
- **Casework Service Center:** 200 East Main St., White Sulphur Springs.
 - Hours: 9 am - 5 pm.
- **Casework Service Center:** Magic Mark, 41 John Raine Dr., Rainelle.
 - Hours: 9 am - 5 pm.

Kanawha County

- **Shelter:** Capital High School, 1500 Greenbrier St., Charleston
- **Fixed Feeding Location:** Heritage Baptist Church, 40 Kayla Lane, Elkview
- **Relief Supply Distribution Location:** St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, 246 S. Pinch Rd., Elkview
- **Casework Service Center:** Elkview Middle School, 5090 Elk River Rd. North, Elkview.
 - Hours: 9:30 am - 7 pm.

Lincoln County

- **Relief Supply Distribution Location:** Mud River Fire Dept., 2865 Bulger Rd, Spurlockville

Nicholas County

- **Shelter:** Cherry River Elementary School, 190 Riverside Dr., Richwood
- **Fixed Feeding Location:** Restoration Church, 1185 Old Mount Nebo Rd., Mt. Nebo
- **Relief Supply Distribution Location:** 10 White Ave. Richwood
- **Relief Supply Distribution Location:** Birch River Volunteer Fire Dept., Old Rt. 19, Birch River.
- **Casework Service Center:** Courts Day Reporting Center, 603 Broad St., Summersville.
 - Hours: 1 pm - 6 pm.
- **Casework Service Center:** Richwood Library, 8 White Ave., Richwood.
 - Hours: 1 pm - 6 pm.

Raleigh County

- **Relief Supply Distribution Location:** Southwest WV Red Cross, 200 Industrial Dr., Beckley

Roane County

- **Shelter:** Geary Elementary, 9538 Clay Rd, Left Hand
- **Fixed Feeding Location:** Geary Elementary
- **Relief Supply Distribution Location:** Geary Elementary

Summers County

- **Relief Supply Distribution Location:** Hilldale Site, 868 State Rt 3, Hinton

Webster County

- **Relief Supply Distribution Location:** Camden on Gauley, 5511 Webster Rd., Cowen
- **Relief Supply Distribution Location:** Erbacon Volunteer Fire Dept., 4900 Erbacon Rd, Erbacon

Anyone affected can call (855) 224-2490 for assistance, while anyone who would like to help can call (800) RED CROSS, or visit www.redcross.org

- **Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA)**, is available for those out of work because of the disaster, **including self-employed workers**. DUA applies to those living inside or outside a designated county whose work has been affected.

To apply with WorkForce West Virginia, visit www.workforcewv.org. The deadline to apply is July 27, 2016, for Kanawha, Greenbrier and Nicholas counties and July 29, 2016, for Clay, Fayette, Monroe, Roane, Summers, Pocahontas and Webster counties.

- Flood survivors may call **West Virginia 211**, a free information and referral service available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. They can call 2-1-1 for help finding food, childcare, crisis counseling, and many other resources in their local communities.
- FEMA has detailed information about several forms of federal assistance available:
 - [Individuals and Households Program \(IHP\)](#);
 - [Public Assistance \(PA\)](#);
 - [Disaster Unemployment Assistance \(DUA\)](#);
 - [Disaster Survivor Assistance](#).

Federal assistance information is also at:

<http://www.fema.gov/news-release/2016/06/25/federal-aid-programs-state-west-virginia>

- DHSEM has launched www.dhsem.wv.gov/Pages/WV-Flood-Information.aspx as a resource page for the flood response. Information hosted on this page includes much of what has been previously provided in the DHSEM media updates. The page also hosts an archive of prior updates and other relevant documents.
- The Department of Health and Human Resources (DHHR) has developed county-specific informational fliers detailing assistance and resources in each of the 10 counties initially granted Federal Disaster Declarations: <http://www.dhhr.wv.gov/secretary/Pages/Resources-for-Flood-Victims.aspx>
- www.wvflood.com, a website developed by Volunteer WV, “attempts to connect the dots between those donating and those who need to receive the donations.” **On Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/wvflood>.

FEMA Info

A dozen **Disaster Survivor Assistance Teams** are canvassing shelters and conducting outreach in counties designated for Individual Assistance. Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments (PDAs) for Public Assistance are being conducted in the affected counties as well.

FEMA assistance figures **as of close of business Sunday, July 3, 2016:**

FEMA Registrations	5,423
Day's Registrations	185
Individuals and Households Program (IHP) Funding Approved	\$12,375,062.77
Housing Assistance (HA) Funding Approved	\$10,383,252.73
Other Needs Assistance (ONA) Approved	\$1,991,810.04
Inspections Issued	4,403
Inspections Returned	2,562
Inspections Outstanding	1,841
% Complete	58.19%
Inspectors in the field	67
Funerals Paid	0
Funeral Funding Approved	NA
Disaster Recovery Centers (DRC) open	7

For more information on FEMA's role in West Virginia's disaster recovery:

<http://www.fema.gov/disaster/4273>

www.twitter.com/FEMA

www.facebook.com/FEMA

www.fema.gov/blog

Road Conditions

The W.Va. Division of Highways (DOH) has updated road closures **as of 8:36 am on Monday, July 4:**

www.go.wv.gov/wvdotnews.

Debris Removal

The affected counties have begun bidding out and awarding contracts for hauling debris. The W.Va. Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is overseeing the disposal of hazardous materials as it

arrives as debris collection sites. DEP is also helping counties select and then monitor collection sites. DEP is preparing to re-open the Webster County landfill for debris disposal.

Sewage, Waste-Water Treatment

DEP continues to work with county and local operators to restore damages treatment facilities. In the meantime, anyone planning to enter streams in flood damaged areas should take appropriate precautions.

Fatalities

The W.Va. Department of Health and Human Resources has provided the following details **as of July 1, 2016** from its Office of the Chief Medical Examiner; *it is unable to release names per state law*:

Statistical Data Regarding Mass Fatality Resulting from 2016 Flooding State of Emergency						
#	Location	County	Age Range*	M/F	Preliminary Cause of Death	Unconfirmed Physical Location of Recovery
1	Wheeling	Ohio	5 to 14	M	Asphyxiation	Water
2	Elkview	Kanawha	45 to 64	M	Asphyxiation	Roadway
3	NA	Kanawha	15 to 24	F	Asphyxiation	Roadway
4	Elkview	Kanawha	45 to 64	F	Automobile Accident	Vehicle
5	Ravenswood	Jackson	1 to 4	M	Asphyxiation	Water
6	Rainelle	Greenbrier	85+	M	Asphyxiation	Private Structure
7	Rainelle	Greenbrier	85+	M	Asphyxiation	Private Structure
8	Rainelle	Greenbrier	75 to 84	M	Asphyxiation	Private Structure
9	Rainelle	Greenbrier	45 to 64	M	Asphyxiation	Private Structure
10	Elkview	Kanawha	65 to 74	M	Asphyxiation	Private Structure
11	Elkview	Kanawha	45 to 64	F	Asphyxiation	Private Structure
12	Elkview	Kanawha	45 to 64	F	Asphyxiation	Private Structure
13	Rupert	Greenbrier	75 to 84	F	Asphyxiation	Water
14	Rupert	Greenbrier	65 to 74	M	Asphyxiation	Water
15	White Sulphur Springs	Greenbrier	15 to 24	M	Asphyxiation	Water
16	Caldwell	Greenbrier	45 to 64	M	Asphyxiation	Water
17	White Sulphur Springs	Greenbrier	45 to 64	F	Asphyxiation	Private Structure
18	White Sulphur Springs	Greenbrier	65 to 74	M	Asphyxiation	Grounds of Commercial Property
19	Rupert	Greenbrier	65 to 74	F	Asphyxiation	Water
20	White Sulphur Springs	Greenbrier	45 to 64	F	Complications from injuries received	Private Structure

* National Center for Health Statistics Age Group for Mortality

According to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, the number of deaths attributed to the floods **remains at 23** (twenty-three). That total includes the 22 confirmed fatalities (see above) and 1 person missing and presumed dead.

Fatality totals by county:

Greenbrier: 15 (14 bodies recovered; 1 missing and presumed dead)

Kanawha: 6

Ohio: 1

Jackson: 1

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